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STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

Administrative Action

JAMES A. PASKOW, M.D. License No. MA 50826

CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of information that on or about December 12, 2003 Respondent and the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners ("Texas Board") entered into an Agreed Order in which Respondent's medical license was suspended, the suspension was stayed and Respondent was placed on probation under certain terms and conditions for a five-year period commencing on December 12, 2003. The terms and conditions set forth in the Agreed Order also included a requirement for Respondent to have a chaperone when he performs a physical examination on a female patient, to obtain ten (10) hours of ethics education and to enroll in and successfully complete a course in boundary violations of at least ten (10) hours in duration. The Texas matter was based on allegations that on June 30, 2001, after Respondent examined patient R.M. in the Trinity Memorial Center emergency room, he made inappropriate comments of a sexual nature, made strong sexual overtures, and engaged in unwelcomed sexual contact with the patient's

daughter, L.M. It was further alleged that on July 4, 2001, Respondent contacted L.M. to apologize, however, he continued to make inappropriate comments regarding his physical attraction to her. Respondent cooperated with the Texas Board in the investigation of these allegations.

Respondent has represented that he completed the requirements in the agreed Order regarding the ethics and boundary violation courses. Respondent also voluntarily disclosed that he currently is receiving psychiatric treatment in New Jersey for a relapse due to Bipolar Disorder. He has further represented that he does not currently practice medicine in the State of New Jersey and based on a directive set forth in a Board letter dated December 14, 1995, he is required to appear before a committee of the Board to discuss his plans for practice and the status of his licensure privileges in all other jurisdictions in the event he wishes to practice medicine in New Jersey.

The parties being desirous of resolving this matter and the Board finding the within Order to be adequately protective of the public interest and for good cause shown,

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ON THIS 13th DAY OF May , 2005 HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey is hereby suspended, however, the suspension is stayed and Respondent is placed on probation for a period of five years, commencing on the entry date of this Order.
- 2. In the event Respondent seeks to practice medicine in the State of New Jersey, he shall be required to appear before the Board or a committee thereof to determine if he is fit and competent to practice

medicine in this State. Prior to appearing before the Board or committee, Respondent shall be required to undergo an evaluation by a Board approved psychiatrist to determine his psychiatric status.

- 3. In the event the Board determines Respondent is fit and competent to practice medicine in New Jersey, the Board reserves the right to impose whatever conditions or restrictions it deems necessary to ensure that Respondent's practice is consistent with the health, safety and welfare of the public. In addition, Respondent shall be required to have a chaperone who is able to directly observe Respondent present in the room any time he performs a physical examination on a female patient. Respondent shall make a notation on the patient's chart indicating that a chaperone was present, and Respondent shall ensure that the chaperone initials the entry made by Respondent to indicate that the chaperone was present and observed the examination or treatment. Respondent agrees that the Board or its representative may inspect all patient records to assure compliance with this requirement.
- 4. Respondent agrees to immediately notify this Board in the event there is a subsequent order issued or any subsequent action by the Texas Board for a violation of the terms and conditions of the Agreed Order, or regarding other allegations.

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Bernard Robins, M.D., F.A.C.P.

Board President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners to enter this Order.

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Date